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SUBJECT: LECTURE TOUR IN US BY BULENT ECEVIT

REF: ANKARA 7737

FOR AMBASSADOR

1. SECRETARY HAS INDICATED THAT APPROPRIATE OFFICES IN DEPT. (CU AND EUR) SHOULD FACILITATE BULENT ECEVIT'S LECTURE TOUR OF US.

2. REFTTEL NOTES THAT ECEVIT IS AVAILABLE EXCEPT FOR DECEMBER AND FEBRUARY, WHICH LEAVES JANUARY 1976 AS FIRST POSSIBILITY, OR FAILING THAT, MARCH 1976. BEFORE DOING ANY TENTATIVE SCHEDULING (LEAD TIME ALREADY IS BARELY SUFFICIENT IF JANUARY 1976 IS TO BE USED), WE BELIEVE IT PRUDENT TO HAVE ECEVIT AVAILABILITY AND APPROXIMATE DATES RECONFIRMED BY EMBASSY.

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3. WHILE WE AGREE THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR FUNDING

AND OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR ECEVIT TOUR TO BE HANDLED BY UNIVERSITY OR PRIVATE FOUNDATION RATHER THAN USG, UNFORTUNATELY SUCH FUNDING IS NOT AVAILABLE. CU CAN ARRANGE

FOR INSTITUTIONS TO EXTEND INVITATIONS TO ECEVIT, BUT DEPT. WOULD HAVE TO PICK UP TAB. FUNDS WOULD PROBABLY COME FROM CU/WE IVP PROGRAM FOR TURKEY. DEPARTMENT SPONSORSHIP NEED NOT BE PUBLICIZED, HOWEVER.

4. POSSIBLE SCHEDULING MIGHT INCLUDE: IN WASHINGTON AREA, LECTURE AT MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE/SCHOOL OF ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, CONGRESSIONAL CALLS, AND COURTESY CALL ON SECRETARY; ON EAST COAST, AT UNIVERSITY SUCH AS PRINCETON OR PENNSYLVANIA; IN MIDDLE WEST, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO; WEST COAST, STANFORD WITH SIDE TRIP TO BOHEMIAN CLUB IN SAN FRANCISCO; AND POSSIBLY UNIVERSITY IN SOUTH. SUGGESTIONS FROM EMBASSY AND ECEVIT WILL BE WELCOME. KISSINGER

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